JAY GOULD'S SYNDICATE. GETTING CONTROL OF THE TEXAS-PACIFIC RAILROAD.

Plan to Monopolize Transcontinental Traffic A Chance for Immense Profits-Buying a Boubiful Title-Col. Scott Seriously III-Two Newspapers for Sale, both Daily.

The action of the stockholders of the Texas Pacific Railroad at the r meeting in Palladelphia last Tuesday, in dissolving the trusteeship which has heretofore controlled the com-pany, is the forerunner of the transfer of the which effected the combination of the Vanderderbilt and Wabash and Pacific interests. Several causes led to this action on the part of the persons interested in the Texas-Pacific. Their failure in the past to obtain Government sid from Congress, and the evident hopelessness of such an und-rtaking in the future, had no doubt not a little to do with it. But the physical inability of Col. Thomas A. Scott, resulting from a severe paralytic attack, which his recent solourn in Europe relieved but slightly, made it absolutely necessary for the parties interested in the great undertaking to look elsewhere than to the Pennsylvania railroad syndicate for

Snancial assistance.
The Gould-Field-Sage combination sims at the control of the transcontinental traffic. This ied to the purchase of the Kansas Pacific, the Wabash, the Missouri Northern, and the combination with the Vanderbilt trunk lines from New York to Chicago. For some time the same Interest has been coquetting with the Missouri, Kansas and Texas, and the St. Louis and Iron Mountain Bailroads. The purpose of this is now evident. Gould and his confrères were seeking to get control of the Texas-Pacific, and if they gobbled up the Missouri, Kansas and Texas and the Iron Mountain, the Texas-Paeifle would have no outlet to the East. It would begin nowhere and end in the wilderness. Finding that they were about to be checkmated, the Texas-Pacific people concluded an arrangement with the Gould-Field-Sage syndicate, by which, for a controlling interest in the company, the syndicate is to advance the money to complate the road to El Pase, where it is to meet the Southern Pacific, and with it form another trunk

line to the Pacific.

The terms of this arrangement are that the syndicate furnish \$25,000 per mile to build the Texas-Pacific from Fort Worth to El Paso, and to take from the same a controlling interest in the bonds and stock of the company. The estimates of the chief engineer of the Texas-Pacific show that the road can be built, including grading, culverts, bridges, ties, and fron, for bout an average of \$12,000 per mile, so that there will be a large margin of profit on the construction account to be divided. Whether the Gould syndicate insists upon this margin as its own plum, or whether the original Texas-Pacific syndicate is to share in it is not known. It is also stated by well-informed persons that the syndicate now represented by the

known. It is also stated by well-informed persons that the syndicate now represented by the Vanderbits in connection with Gould, Field, Saze, and the Morgans, are to have an interest in the Pennsylvania Raircond combination, and to control its Western trunk lines. The object of this is to leave without Eastern connections the St. Louis and San Francisco Company, a rival line to the Pacific along the thirty-fifth parallel controlled by emphasiasts who left Gould and his crowd out. The next move, it is said, will be to get control of the Ohio and Mississippi, and cut the Baltimore and Ohio out of its connection with St. Louis.

It may be, however, that the Gould-Field-Sage syndicate have bought more than they bargained for in this arrangement with the Texas-Pacific. The Texas-Pacific acquired its land grant franchise, and all of value that attaches thereto, by being subrogated to the legal rights of the old Memphis and El Paso Company. This concern, it will be remembered, sold about six millions of its bonds in France. It is alleged that by a series of the most sartling legal frauds the Memphis and El Paso Company was adjudged bankrupt, its mortgages foreclosed, and the property sold to the Texas-Pacific. There has been for several years a controversy in regard to these transactions before committees of Congress, but the French bondholders have at last taken a practical step which thus far has given the Texas-Pacific not a little trouble.

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Last summer Matt H, Carpenter, Judge Black of Pennsylvania, and bouglas Campbell of New York, acting for the French bondholders filed in the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia abili in equity against the Texas-Pacific, in which the whole listery of their case is set forth, supported by voluminous exhibits, making a printed book of 237 large octavo pages. The Texas-Pacific demurred to the jurisdiction of the courts of the District of Columbia, but after sraument the Court held, first, that it had allike powers of the Circuit Courts of the United States, and, secondly, that the charter of the Texas-Pacific from Congress made it amenable in all courts of the United States, and therefore there could be an question as to the jurisdiction. The plaintiffs have now moved for a permanent injunction, and if their proof justifies their allegations in the bill of equity they will undoubtedly obtain it. Then the whole question will come up in the Supreme Court on appeal by the defendants, and the litigation may disposition of its securities. The representatives of the French bondholders here say that they have no apprehension whatever of the fould or any other syndients placing the bonds of the Texas-Pacific on the market in this country or in Europe so long as this cloud rests upon their title. The holders of the Memphis El Paso bonds in France are influential, and their connection will emerge them to stop any negotiations that might be undertaken.

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There is another important consequence which follows the disposition of a controlling interest in the Texas-Pacific to the Challe combination. In 1875, when the Texas-Pacific of those two newspapers are no longer required to pave the way for Congressional action, they are now for said. The New York World a

HARD FIGHTING NEAR CARUL. Gen. Roberts Forced to Abandon his Position

- Lyoub Khan on the War Path. CALCUTTA, Dec. 15 .- A despatch from Gen ports to the Vicercy of India reports hard fighting. Gen. Roberts has decided to collect his forces within the Shirpur cantonment, abandoning the heights above the city. Gen. lough, from Gandamuk, and Gen. Arbuthnot from Jelalabad, have been ordered up to Cabu!, and reenforcements are going to replace the and reenforcements are going to replace the Frome at those points. Communication with Gen, Roberts is still uninterrupted, but the excitetioent among the tribes is expected to spread, The Government has ample forces.

Losnon, Rec. 15.—The Victors of India tell-straphs to day that Gen, Roberts reports that its force is now collected in the Shirpur cancerment. The loss on the British side in the Spitian vesteries; was nineteen men killed, including two affects, and eightly-eight wounded, including two affects, and eightly-eight wounded, including two officers.

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THE JERSEY CITY BANK OFFICERS.

Testimony from the Legal Advisor of the Board of Directors.

The trial of the indicted officers and diectors of the insolvent Mechanics' and Laborers' Savings Bank of Jersey City was continued yesterday. The defendants and their counsel, after a prolonged consultation in the Judges' chambers, entered the court room and gathered around the lawyers' table. The audience was larger than on any previous day, but was less demonstrative than usual. After Mr. Col-lins had concluded his opening address, Washington B. Williams, the receiver of the bank, was called as a witness for the defence. He testified that he believed the mortgages held by the bank were at the date of the investment worth a great deal more than their face value. Counsel then tried to prove by him the reputation of John Halliard for truth and veracity, and financial ability and integrity, but the questions were excluded.

Joseph Warren, a real estate dealer in Jersey City, testified that at the request of Dr. O'Callaghan, about two months before the suspen-

Actors, Vocalists, Public Speakers Piku's Toothache Drops cure in one minute. - Adm. FACTS FOR WORKINGMEN

HOW THEY ARE SWINDLED OUT OF MORE THAN TWO MILLIONS A YEAR.

A Key that Unlocks the Vaults of their Treasury—The Enormous Profits of a Ring of Con-tractors—The Unwonted Prosperity of I wo Government Officials—The Way it is Done, WASHINGTON, Dec. 15 .- The Post Office Department Bing seems now to be in a fair way to come to grief. Its operations since the last letting in the spring of 1878 have, in boldness and shamelessness, exceeded any of its previous transactions. Erring Brother Key has been clay in the hands of Tyner and Brady, the First and Second Assistant Postmasters-General. In all the history of the administration of that department, not even excepting the palmy days of Chorpenning Cresswell, Ring contractors have never had such a rich harvest as that they have been and now are enjoying. Typer and Brady have felt so secure that they have

not deemed it necessary during the past summer and fall even to remain at their posts.

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READY FOR THE SPEECHES.

line has to run seven daily coaches to accommodato the travel, and only one of them carries the mail; and yet the contractor, Saulsbury, got an enormous increase of pay for increasing his stock to carry the mails. But the objection is not so much as to additional trips. It is the increased speed which costs so frightfully and cannot be justified. If the settler has a mail every day he has no reason to complain, Every-body knows that in new countries a daily until is not actually required. Let them have it, however, as they had all along the route from Fort Worth to Fort Yurae even if it does cost \$184,000 a year. But is it necessary to pay \$165,000 a year more to give them their mail sone however, as they had all along the route from Fort Worth to Fort Yurae even if it does cost \$184,000 a year more to give them their mail sone however, as they had all along the route from Fort Worth to Fort Yurae even if it does cost \$184,000 a year more to give them their mail sone however, as they had all along the route from Fort Worth to Fort Yurae even if it does cost \$184,000 a year more to give them their mail schedule time? No sensible man will pretend that extravagance of this kind can be justified. In order to escape the exposure which the Poet Office Department knows is inevitable unless Congress the appropriation for star service is exhausted; that is, contracts already made will use up nil my appropriation for star service is exhausted; that is, contracts already made will use up nil my appropriation for the present who have urged, through friendship or more directly interested motives the increase and expedition of service, that if he is charged with extravagance he will claim that they compelled him to do what the law requires him to exercise his own judgment in doing or not doing. The truth is that the Ring contractors and their corrupt official allies in the Department have grown so hold that they think they can buildoze Congress. They boast that they can buildoze Congress. They boast that they can buildoze Co THE SYNOD'S PREPARATIONS FOR RE-VIEWING THE TALMAGE CASE.

ALREADY TIRED AND WORN.

The Twenty-four Women New Contesting for

Pedestrian Honors. Madison Square Garden, in which twentyour women were tramping around the saw dust track, was cold and cheerless last night. It has been considerably changed since it was last used for pedestrianism; but the man with the lifting machine, the candy venders, and he of the cough drops were there as of old. The latter is a far-seeing speculator, for a better place to breed colds after catching them, and to catch them before breeding them

s not to be found. The women looked tired. Even jolly Mother Anderson, in her white robe elaborately embroidered, looked as though she would be glad to go home and to bed. Lulu Loomer, after making eleven miles, stopped, and quietly quit the building. De Rose. who is said to be a sister of La Chapelle, looked ill, and walked slowly, while her trim and dapper sister walked like one who had a reputation o sustain. And she has, for she bears the title of champion of something or other, having re-

ceived the "diamont beit" in a California tournament. This little French woman is the neatest of walkors. She held her head erect, and swung her slim arms across her slim waist in a highly creditable manner. Maggie Smith, clad in a tasteful marcon dress, elaborately trimmed with white lace, is one of Mme. Anderson's converts. Shis it was who chalked out a track in her kitchen, and while doing her housework may ged to cover 400 quarter miles in 400 quarter hours. This feat has gained for her the sobriquet of "the Tenement House Walker." Following her was May Marshall, "the Mother of Long Distance Female Pedestrianjsm," whatever that may be: and she looked it as she tramped around, gray haired, wrinkled faced, enveloped in a big gray shawl. Carrie Anderson is no relation to her of the unnumbered quarter-mile record. She is a small and unobtrusive young person who for months has been walking in a Chatham street mus-um. She has a companion in May Jacobs, who is from the same Chatham street achool of pedestrianism. Cora Cushing, the statusque launiry maid of the Windsor Hotel, staiked majestically around elad in a robe of dark green, cut en train, with the train off. She is a fine specimen of muscular womanhood, and although her feforts to go fast do not add to her grave, she is known to have made several thousand quarter miles in several thousand quarter hours, or something of the favorite with the gentlemen who "grace the occasion and encourage the ladies." Miss Cushing is the re-capnized champion of Maryland. Amy Howard leads her fair companions. She skipped lightly over the track, clad in what seemed to be an anchent knit seeket of seal brown. She seemed to take pleasure in dorging Tobias. This veteran walker, tail and symmetrical clad in black velvet and wearing a fraceful to look the princess that was a record, and is not seemed to take pleasure in the seal of the made gray was a looked like the clown who burled quarter made and the seal of the made gray was a looked and holias princess and champion of waking.

The New England Society's Election. Pink and white tickets were handed to those of the \$40 members of the New England Society who en ered the parture of the Fifth Avenue Hotel last, evening name appeared as a director, while on the pink ticke name appeared as a director, while on the pink model decree P. Rowell's name was printed. The context between the pink and white candidates for director gave rise to a great deal of anuscienced among the enter meaning the provided and the pink and white candidates for director gave rise to a great deal of anuscienced among the enter the form the pink and the director of the President. Mr. Daine's Appleton, showed that during the year dorty for mean members were admitted, twenty two of the an were file membershy. 1/23. By william H. Marwell penerical that \$1,850 had been distributed in mong 200 respicants of the wearly during the president and the pink of the secrety during the president and the pink of the secrety during the pink of the secret during the pink of the pink of the pink of the pink of the corge P. Rowell's tunns was printed. The context b

Accused of Forgery and Fraud.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.-A certified capy of an adictment from the Circuit Court of the Southern District of New York arrived here last Friday evening

business on routes leading to mining bowns.

Blue Londville and Deadwood, increases, of course, with their growth in population, and stage lines have necessarily to put on extra stock to meet the requirements of travel. For instance, from Canon City to Leadville the stage SOUTH AMBOY, N. J., Dec. 15,-The body of a

An Effort to have the Appenl Dismissed De fenied by Only One Vote-Some Very Earnest Debutes-The Work to be Begun To-day The Synod of Long Island met in Jamaica, last night, for the purpose of considering the complaint of the Brooklyn Presbytery in the case of the charges against the Rov. T. DeWitt Talmage, the object of the complain ants being to get the action of the Presbytery acquitting Dr. Talmage reviewed, so as to have bim tried again. At a previous meeting the Synod accepted a proposal to have the testimony in the trial printed, to save time, and

the Synod adjourned for the purpose of having the testimony printed. During the recess the Committee has had the testimony printed, forming a book of nearly 800 pages. Upon calling the roll last night, it was found that less than half the members of the Synod were present; but that was more than a quorum. The calleries of the church of the Rev. Mr. Lampman, where the Synod met, were about half filled with spectators.

The first business was the report of the Com-

mittee on Printing-the Rev. J. C. Nightingale, the Rev. W. W. Knox, and the Rev. Arthur H. Allen. The work of the Committee was approved by the Synod, and the Committee was discharged, For the information of members, the report of the Judicial Committee was read, together with show exactly what the Synod proposed to consider. The following are the portions of the complaint of the Brooklyn Presbytery which the Synod has concluded to consider. They are the third and sixth of the reasons given for complaint—the remainder of the seven reasons baving been refused consideration by the Synod:
Third-Because testimony for the defence (viz. the
affidavit of Gen. Howard) was introduced in open violation of the requirements of the Book of Discipline, chap.
6, sec. 13, and at such a stace in the trial as necessarily to preclude the prosecution from all opportunity
to cross-examine the witness. And this violation of rule
is the more augravated because the affidavit in question
has been in poss-selson of the counsel for the defence for
some time before it was presented, and bore date of
March 21, while the date of its presentation was April 21.
Stath—Because the vote of the majority of the Presbytery acquitting Dr. Talmage of alsehood and decest is in
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Church, as represented in her superior courts.

Judge Armstrong of Jamaica then addressed having been refused consideration by the Synod

the plagment of the Freshytery is "injurious to the interest of reliairs, and accusated to decrease the characters of those who remanded it." We therefore appear the rest of those who remanded it. We therefore appear the the special to be decrease the control of the Brooklyn Pressbytery and the Synod asylins that after careful consideration he had concluded to present a resolution which he believed was in accordance with the facts of the case. He then read a long preamble recting the action of the Brooklyn Pressytery should mand dapore the synod was the case, with reference to Dr. Talmage, should now terminate, and that the sapeal from the sation of the Brooklyn Pressytery should be dismissed. A final resolution was protoceed by Judge Armstrong declaring that, in thus eftermining to dismisse the complaint, the Synod arms the title having recreet, and waist in a Smith, clad of the case, and the same that it is a should not yet proceeded to do what it had decided to do in according the report of the Judicial by trimmed Anderson's out a track follow.

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Judge Armstrong was of the opinion that the testimony, as printed, did not contain the answer to a portion of the sixth reason, which said that those who decided in favor of Dr. Talmage in the Brooklyn Presbytery "must have grounded their decision on something else than the facts and the truth."

The Moderator expressed the opinion that the printed record was not onen to the objection of informality because the reasons of the Presbytery were printed in the form of a resolution that the Presbytery had adopted, which in his opinion, was sufficient to make the record complete without printing the reasons of individual members.

The Rev. Mr. Lampman said: "I appeal from the decision of the Moderator on the ground of its manifest absurdity." Then there was a long wrangle until nobody seemed to know what the pending question was. Even the Moderator at last said, helplessly, and in apparent despair. "What is the question? The tangle was finally unravelled by the withdrawal of the motion to strike out a part of the sixth reason of the complaint.

Next there was a debate over a proposal to limit the time of the respective parties in their arguments on the Inerits of the case. Finally the matter was referred to the Judicial Committee, with instructions to report this morning. Dr. Talmage's friends opouly complained that Judge Armstrong was of the opinion that the

the matter was referred to the Judicial Committee, with instructions to report this merning. Dr. Talmage's friends openly complained that it would be unfair to him to limit the time of speeches in his behalf. The Synod will to-day login to hear arguments.

Hannishuno, Dec. 15 .- Gen. Grant and party arrived bere at 15; P. M., and was welcomed to the cit in a speech by Mayor Buttersen. The visitors were the executed to the Covernor's residence by a million and civired a speech of welcome, to which Gen. Grant responded as follows:

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Damage to the Long Branch Pier. The debris of the wrecked schooner Arti-

Garwood strenged the beach at Long Branch yesterday. A piece of the wreck on Sainday night was birled by the waves against the fron piec, breaking one of the fron columns in two, and tenting away much of the planting.

Manna was once Jewish food; Jew and Gentile alike new use Dr. Row, Couch Syrub.—Ada

"JUST OUR MAJORINY, BY GEORGE!" What Hannibal Hamila Said when he Hear

the News from Maine. AUGUSTA, Me., Dec. 15-11:30 P. M .- The Council held a session to-day. The Committee on Elections has not yet completed the canvass of the returns. A few doubtful cases still remain undecided. It is expected that a complete result will be reached and officially announced on Wednesday. Rumors are current upon the street that the canvass is finished and the certificates already made out, but the most diligent and persisten

canvass is finished and the certificates already made out, but the most diligent and persistent inquiry fails to substantiate the story.

It is understood, however, from good authority that the Lexisiature will contain an opposition majority in both branches of the Lexislature.

It is understood that the Senate will be composed of 19 Opposition and 12 Republicans. The House will consist of 77 Opposition, 62 Republicans, and 12 vacancies.

The lexislative returns from Lewiston, Bath, Rockland, Pertland, and Saco, entitled to twolve Representatives, are found to be no returns at all, being fatally defective.

The returns from many places are "fatally defective," and the Council in canvassing these has been governed wholly by the Constitution and laws relating to such matters.

Democrats and Groenbackers, as well as Republicans, have been affected by the canvass.

Washington, Dec. 15.—The news of the result of the election in Maine was received here this evening. The venerable Hannibal Hamilin was astonished when he heard that the Democratis had actually gone and done what they had been threatening to do.

What did you say the Democratic majority in the Sen its had been declared to be?" inquired Mr. Hamilin.

"Just our majority, by G-orge!" exclaimed the old gentleman. "We elected nine majority and they counted nine majority in the Sen its natural proceeding in Maine will silenate from the Democratic that the Democratic proceeding in Maine will silenate from the Democratic proceeding in Maine will silenate from the Democratic that the Democratic proceeding in Maine will silenate from the Democratic proceeding in Maine will silenate from the Democratic feling in a State, but it seems to me now as though the worse the frauds committed by the Democratic the more popular their party becomes."

"Do you think, Mr. Hamilin, that the Democrate, being in amajority

committed by the Democrats the more popular their party becomes."
"Do you think, Mr. Hamlin, that the Democrats, being in a majority in the State Legislature, will attempt to elect Presidential electors according to the Congressional districts in the State?"
"No. I do not." was the reply. "If the New York Legislature should attempt such a thing, the Legislature of Maine might retailate; but I don't believe that the New York Legislature will do anything of the sort."

IRISH LAND AGITATION.

Lord Fermoy Assaulted by a Tenant-Popular Sympathy with the Agitators.

LONDON, Dec. 15 .- A serious outrage was committed on Saturday in the porch of the Limerick Club House by an excited tenant on Lord Fermoy, who lives in the County of Limerick.

erick Citto House by an excited tenant on Lord Fermoy, who lives in the County of Limerick. The assailant felled Lord Fermoy with a large cudgel. The man was immediately seized and taken to prison.

Messrs, Davitt, Daly, and Killen left Carrick-on-Shannon to-day for Dublin. They were accompanied to the railway station by a large crowd and a band playing Irish airs. The Attorney-General arrived at Carrick-on-Shannon last night, and was escorted to his lodging by twenty armed policemen. Thomas Brennan also left Carrick-on-Shannon to-day for Dublin. (Baron Fermoy succeeded to the title and estates of his father, who was Lord Lieutennat of the County of Cork, five years ago, His younger brother, the Hon. J. B. B. Roche, was the young man who was incorrectly reported as killed by Indians in the Yeilowstone region last summer, and who sailed from this port for home a few weeks ago.)

London, Dec. 16.—A despatch from Dublin to the Daily News says there is no foundation of the four prisoners, Davitt, Daly, Killen and Brennap, will be abandoned.

THE LATEST OLD WORLD NEWS.

Spain's New Premier Declines to Apologize LONDON. Dec. 15.-Special despatches from the 10th inst., in retusing to give further explanation at the 10th inst, in reliasing to give further explanation at that time regarding the causes of the recent Cabinet crisis. The opposition members of the Chamber will persist in abstaining from taking their seats until the does a cologize. The followers of Schores Sugasts and Martinez-Campos, however, and the Liberal West limitan Deputies say that their attitude only implies essure of France Campos det clastific, and not any recommenzy or tactious resistance to the divernment. Schore Gonne's opposition in the Senate Saturday to the bill or the aboli on of slavery in thus was based on its insufficiency to Mapsing Dec. 18.—The ministerial fournass see Annual Mapsing Dec. 18.—The ministerial fournass see at that Premier Canovas del Castello has not resee at that such explanations to the Chamber of Decrease as may be used to be considered to the construction of the construction of the programment. uve of the Government

Stringent Be utations in St. Petersburg. St. Petersburg, Dec. 15.-The Official Messenger coutains a long list of stringent regulations issued by Gen. Gourko, Governor of St. Petersburg, for the control of public and private convex ances in the streets, for the purpose of preserving the public order, safety, and tranquil-live in the capital. Public and private conclusion of all possible kinds of vehicles are to obey without a mo-ments delay very injunction of the police. Conclusion as to sheep to be right, so quelety, and never get off or never as the property of the public of the police.

A Pamine in Opropmeeyah.

London, Dec. 15,-An appeal has reached London from American missionaries at Oproomeeyah, Persia, in behalf of the population of that district and Persia, in behalf of the population of that district and Turkish Kurdistan, who are starving. There is already a partial failure of the wheat and raisin crops. Dwing to poverty, only about a tenth part of the usual in order food has been made, and importation has now entirely consed. The disversiment is doing little or nothing. The winter will intensity the distress, and the need of relief is urgent.

Vera Sassulitch's Attempt to Kill Trepoff, LONDON, Dec. 15.-The letter from Vera Sas ilitch, which was contained in a revolutionary paper auggled from Switzerland into Russia, explains that smingled from Switzerania lifto Russia, exposits the her attempt to kill then Trepoff was made under circuit, the kevolutionary Committee, and not, as we arred by the deteroe at the trial, from personal indigination at eruelties to political prisoners. Several personal including two words, drew lots as to who should kill M Trepoff, and Vera Sassulitch drew the task.

Bismarck Favors Disarmament.

London, Dec. 15. - A despatch from Berlin to be sensited says. "The report that frings Bismarch has critten a letter to the Italian Senator, Jacob, declaring a favor of disarmament, is perfectly authentic."

Who Has Been Robbed !

Policeman Robert Irwin at midnight saw John Gorman and Michael Harrington in South street, carrying a heavy bundle. Both men were dripping wet

Forty Degrees Below Zero.

Sr. Paul, Dec. 15.-There has been a severe storm in the field River country for the past wordays. The thermometers have fallen very low; reports at different points indicate from 25 to 40 degrees below zero.

A dispatch from Rice Kentides have that two of Wio, Owen's children were frozen to death, and two melloll, it shorters and James Nosan—are missing, supposed to be fout in the storm and frozen.

Red Bank's Lockup Crowded. RED BANK, N. J., Dec. 15,-A wholesale arrest of herrors has been made by the police here to-day for alloyed participation in robberies committed on the farmers in this heighborhood. One of the hegrees, on being arrased made a contession insilicating a dozes offeres and bought the town became is the of colored prisences. Their describations over a period of several mouths, and they puzzled the police for a long time.

Hantan to Begin Training.

Tonoxro, Dec. 15.-Hanian arrived home or Sturday. He does not intend to be caught napping it the event of Courteev accepting the proposition to row and will be gin at many taking regular land exercise an practice on the rowing machine.

SPARKS FROM THE TELEGRAPH.

Commander Chester Harnold, United States navy, died at Vallejo, Cal., esterday include:
Two English travellers have been captured by Greek brainder in Epirus, who become 14 two for Door remediations in Epirus, who become 14 two for Door remediations of the United States of the English of the United States of the English of the United States of Mixins Martin, a Bonquartist, has been elected to the Paris Monicipal Council for the Eighth Arrandisamorn, in the Champs Erysses quarter, which is always 20th lephdican.

Pive indictments have been found by the Grand Jury against issue Michael senior member of the hise in a of Michael Brothers, wholesale himse dealers of San Altonio, Texas on charge of swinning preferred by Charles E, Schmidt and Peters of Kow York.

PRICE TWO CENTS. CALCRAFT, THE HANGMAN.

REMINISCENCES OF THE QUIET LITTLE MAN WHO IN DEAD.

For Forty-six Tenra the Public Excentioner of England-Thackerny's kide With him on a Stage Coach-Ris Fondacas for Flowers. LONDON, Dec. 15 .- The famous executioner, Calcraft, who for forty-six years held the office of hangman in England, is dead.

Much has been written concerning the " Monileur de Paris" of London, embracing many anecdotes of the famous hangman and a romanes touching the cause of his becoming an execuloner. About the year 1864 a member of THE Sun staff, then a reporter for the London Dally Telegraph, was sent to interview Calcraft regarding the hanging of a convict. He found the hangman, who was a shoemaker by trade, in his pleasant three-story brick house in Islington. In front of the house and at its rear were yards filled with flowers. The rear yard was crowded with rose bushes, and the hangman had great pride in them. In the course of the visit he spoke of his gardens, and said that any man who loved flowers could not have a very bad heart. He cultivated

he spoke of his gardens, and said that any man who loved flowers could not have a very bad heart. He cultivated many fine tulips and averred that if he had not been Calcraft, the hangman, he would once have taken a prize on his display of tulips at a big fair. There was an iron fence in front of the house. So great was the popular aversion for the office that Calcraft held, that it was almost impossible to reat the houses that were near his, and children ran past the iron gate opening into his yard when they had to go through the quiet atreet in which he lived.

At that time Calcraft was a pleasant-looking little man, with round features and a full irongray beard. He wore an ordinary business suit, and was scrupulously neat in his attire. The house was handsomely furnished. On a fat-le was a large Bible, which, it was said, the hangman read a great deal, and the book bore evidence of having been much used.

Calcraft's wife was at that time a matronly appearing woman, to whom he seemed to be very devoted. In the course of the interview Calcraft said that hanging, if attended to by one who understood his business, was not a painful death. He used small ropes for men of nervous temperament and thicker ropes for those of opposite temperament, and he produced several ropes of different style and showed how the knot should be adjusted.

In his later years Calcraft made a strong effort to enable his children to outlive the stigma that attached itself to their father's position. He educated them ilberally, and at length one of them entered the Indian civil service and fulfilled his duties creditably. There was at first a great outery against the appointment, but it died out as the young man pursued his way evenly and gave satisfaction. In his treatment of prisoners who were to be hanged, Calcraft, which the reporter, who interviewed the hangman always afterward furnished the ropes bimself, and was very careful to personally inspect the arranging of the gallows and everything pertaining to it.

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Murders by Half-Receds in Reliah Columbia VICTORIA, Dec. 13.—Much anxiety is feit here at the condution of affairs near Kamboops, where Government Agent Ussher was killed by half-breed outlaws a few days ago. Since the last report the outlaws have few days ago. Since the last report the outlaws have murdered a herder named John Kelly, at Stump Lake. They are now surrounded in a loc house at the fostor boughs Lake, in Nicola Valley. They have repeating rifles, and the actilers are poorly armed. The Indians are fearfully excited, and an Indian revoit is cared. Later news says that the outlaws have sis can killed harder news says that the outlaws have sis can killed another settler. They are still carrilled "in the big house. The country is in arms. The Indians are suiky, but quiet, a strong force of police, with ris, a and ammunition, left victoria to might by special sequer.

Imprisoned by a Woman. Owing to the large number of petty thefts refor aneak thieves. As he was strolling along Paulinler place on Saturday afternoon, he noticed that the door of Judge Garretson's house was open. Suspecting that something was wrome the detective entered continuity. Hardly had he passed the threshold hefore he was violently soland by a woman, who proved to be the cook and who suspected that Bingferon was a their, It seems and who suspected that Bingferon was a their, It seems and who suspected that Bingferon was a their, It seems and who suspected the binder of some sliverware that year day. Deside the cook when the detailed him until Judge Garretson and his wife returned.

The wind blew a curtain into the flame of a candle in the third story of Pfister's Hotel, 200 Kuchth avenue, at midmight. The room was seen in a blaze. In the second story a dance was in progress. The engines arrived and vers inclining the fire, but the dancers were arrived and were fighting the fire, but the dansers were not warned. Those with went out, atranted by the fire bells were on allowed to return. A fremme who started be the return who started to the fire the bells room was stouped, and a pante averted. The fire bad room was stouped, and a pante averted to the fire the continued with a damage of about \$150. The danser of attentions of the danger they had been in.

NICHOLASVILLE, Ky., Dec. 15 .- On Friday last

A Counterfelter Shot Bend.

five United States marshals made a raid on Col. Cock, a neterious counterfeiter, captured his tools, and drave him from his place. This marning a deport United States marshal, with a pose, went to arrest cock, the had marshal with a pose, went to arrest cock, the had made preparations to defend himself, and when the posse-appeared in fired on them. The fire was insuchitely returned, and Cock fell dead, shot through the heart Cock was a Colonel in a Kentucky regiment in the Union army during the war. \$1,000 for an Eye.

Elizabeth McCauley, a young girl, sued Lowis F. Booth of 100 Greene avenue. Brocklen, in the Brooklyn City Court, youterlay, for \$5,000 damages for the loss of the sight of sine of heryes, caused by a steel pointed arrow shut from a how lis the deficient a son. The bey was playing with his how and arrow in the rear of his father's house, and the girl was waithing him over the lone. He told her togo away or he would shoot her. The jury gave the plaintiff \$1,000.

A man who told a pitiful story of want bogged

broad at the residence of Mrs. Louise Blans, at 1,595 Pa-cife street. Brocklyn, het midt, and when she banded blan some food he street her hand with a firm gitty and attempted to terr a diagnost ring from her finger. Her serves in silarned thin and he ran way, but he was pur-sure and arrested to Police man 115 h, the full of we-me pales station the prisoner gave the name of winning Henry, accd 24, and sain that be had no home. John McEvoy's Death.

John McEvoy, the Paterson boy whose head was alread cat in two by a buzz saw, a week ago, and who, to the actorishment of his physicians seemed rei or likely to recover, their early yesterday morning. He was reject with a fit of continue which was followed by convenious that centimeed until his death. Snielde from a Steamer.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 15 .- P. V. T. Smith, while

on his way to Napa Asylum, in care of Depute Sheriff Porter of Almeda County, in specifican the steamer Yestenito this atternacy, and was decision. Smith is said to belong to a good family in New York. Patti's Suit.

St. Louis, Dec. 15.—In Carlotta Pattl's suft symmetric Performance extension years about dec. The Performance of the control from a Law two-respective account of her inleged intuitional accordance to the city. The Signal Office Prediction.

For Middle States and New England, rising harometer, dominating west to morth arms, either and expectally characteristics to the following the season points of first hadner to taking bacometer, rising temperature, and applicing winds. JOTTINGS IN AND NEAR THE CITY.

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